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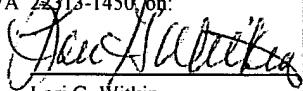
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated April 29, 2005, reconsideration of the outstanding rejections is respectfully requested in view of the remarks beginning on page 2 of this Response.